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MSP FOR WHEAT AND PULSES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has decided to substantially increase the Minimum Support Price (MSP) of wheat and pulses;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the time by which a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a)to(c): The Minimum Support Price (MSP) of wheat and rabi pulses for the crop of 2007-08 season have been raised substantially above their MSPs of 2006-07. For the Kharif 2008-09 season also the Government has substantially increased the prices of Moong, Urad and Arhar. Minimum Support Price (MSP) of wheat and pulses for 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09 are indicated in the Table below:

(Rs. per Quintal)

Commodity	Year 2006-07	Increase over 2007-08	Increase over 2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
Wheat	MSP	750	1000	-	250	-
	Bonus	100	-	-	-	-
Gram	MSP	1445	1600	-	155	-
Masur	MSP	1545	1700	-	155	-
Arhar	MSP	-	1550	2000	-	450
	Bonus	-	40	-	-	-
Moong	MSP	-	1700	2520	-	820
	Bonus	-	40	-	-	-
Urad	MSP	-	1700	2520	-	820
	Bonus	-	40	-	-	-

The Commission for Agricultural Costs & Prices (CACP) has submitted its Report on Price Policy for Rabi Crops of 2008-09 season which is being processed by the Government.